

County of San Diego Department of Child Support Services (DCSS)

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Get account information 24/7 at
www.sandiegochildsupport.org
or by phone at 866-901-3212.

Tell Us About Your Health Insurance

Since providing health insurance is included in child support court orders, it is very important for San Diego DCSS to know if your children are covered by any type of health insurance (health, dental, and/or vision). This helps us to know which children still need help finding coverage and eliminates unnecessary letters or forms being sent to you.

In the near future, you may receive a form in the mail asking for this information. Please complete and return the form by mail or fax to 619-236-4426. You may also call us at 866-901-3212 to get a new form or provide additional information. If your children do not have health insurance coverage and you would like more information on low-cost plans, check out the Covered California website at www.coveredca.com. The last day to enroll at the Covered California website is March 31, 2014.

Live Well San Diego



Live Well San Diego is an initiative of the County of San Diego for all residents. It represents a shared vision to work together with community partners and residents to take action in improving the health, safety, and well-being for themselves, their families, and their neighbors.

Check out the following upcoming events:

- Mar. 29 (Sat.) – It’s How We Live Community Festival, Lakeside
- Apr. 10 (Thu.) – South County Intergenerational Games, Chula Vista
- Apr. 17 (Thu.) – Plan to End Hunger in North County, San Marcos

Visit www.livewellsd.org for more information on these and other activities. Let’s all make a promise to “Live Well!”

Keep Us Informed



Did you know that if you have an Electronic Payment Card (EPC) through the Wells Fargo MasterCard EPPIC program, besides providing your new address and phone number to the San Diego DCSS, you also need to update your information with EPPIC?

You can do this either through their website at www.eppicard.com or by contacting them at 877-777-1617.

Free Tax Assistance Available



Need assistance with filing your 2013 federal and state tax returns? There is a free tax preparation service provided by the IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program to qualifying taxpayers with the help of IRS-certified volunteers throughout the community. They help prepare and submit electronic tax filings for taxpayers who make \$52,000 or less a year and need assistance to prepare their tax returns. These volunteers inform taxpayers about special tax credits that they may qualify for, such as Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC).

[Click here for more information](#) and to find a VITA site near you.

Increase Your Tax Refund with EITC



If you made less than \$51,567 in 2013 and you have children, you might qualify for the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC), which allows you to keep more of what you’ve earned. To find out if you are eligible and to estimate the amount of credit you may get,

[click here to use the EITC Assistant.](#)

Created in 1975, the EITC program aims to lift low-income working families and individuals out of poverty. Greater tax credit is given to those who have qualifying children and could result in a tax refund for those who qualify. File a tax return and claim it, even if you do not owe any tax or are not required to file. Don’t miss out!

Tax Refunds May Be Intercepted

If you owe past due child support and are eligible for a federal or state tax refund, you could receive a tax intercept notice from the IRS and/or the Franchise Tax Board (FTB). It will state the amount of your refund that will be intercepted and sent to the Department of Child Support Services to apply towards your child support arrears.

[Click here for more information](#) or answers to FAQs.

Upcoming Office Closures

March 31, 2014, Cesar Chavez Day | May 26, 2014, Memorial Day

Our Mission: To enhance the lives and well-being of children and promote family self-sufficiency by establishing and enforcing support orders.

Office Locations:

Downtown Courthouse
220 West Broadway, San Diego, CA 92101
Open 7:30 AM – 4:00 PM, Monday - Friday
www.sandiegochildsupport.org

North Central Family Resource Center
5055 Ruffin Road, San Diego, CA 92123
Open 7:30 AM to 4:00 PM, Monday - Friday
(Accepts credit card payments only)

Vista Courthouse Complex
325 South Melrose Dr., Vista, CA 92081
Open 7:30 AM to 4:00 PM, Monday - Friday
(Enter through Traffic Court Annex by 3:30 PM)